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METHOD FOR PURIFICATION OF TETRAFLUOROMETHANE AND USE For:

THEREOF

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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TO 1700 Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

5. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the one or more ethylene compounds are selected from the group consisting of ethylene, fluoroethylene, difluoroethylene and tetrafluoroethylene.

AV 7. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the one or more hydrocarbon compounds are selected from the group consisting of methane, ethane and propane.

9. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein the total content of the one or more ethylene compounds, the one or more hydrocarbon compounds, carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide contained in the tetrafluoromethane is reduced to 3 ppm or less.

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